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SUBJ: ECAFE: RESOLUTION OF NEW FUND FOR ADDITIONAL FINANCING

OF LDC'S

REF: A) STATE 65422 B) COLOMBO 857

1. FOLLOWING DRAFT TEXT RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED ECAFE PLENARY.

QUOTE: FINANCING THE URGENT BALANCE OF PAYMENT NEEDS AND LONG-TERM DEVELOPMENTAL REQUIREMENTS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

DRAFT RESOLUTION SPONSORED BY: BANGLADESH, INDIA, IRAN, NEPAL, PAKISTAN AND THE PHILIPPINES

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FAR EAST

GRAVELY CONCERNED OVER THE ADVERSE EFFECTS
AND WIDESPREAD IMPACT OF WORLD-WIDE INFLATION, THE
SHARPLY RISEN PRICES OF OIL, FOOD GRAINS, FERTILIZERS
AND MANY INDUSTRIAL GOODS, THE SHORTAGES IN THE SUPPLY
OF SOME OF THE MATERIALS AND GOODS AS WELL AS THE
SHIPPING DIFFICULTIES AND RISING FREIGHT CHARGES ARE
HAVING ON THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS OF ALL COUNTRIES
OF THE REGION AND IN PARTICULAR ON THE WELFARE OF
THE PEOPLE AND ON THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE
DEVELOPING COUNTRIES OF THE ECAFE REGION, WHICH
INCREASES THE DIFFICULTY OF ATTAINING THE TARGETS
ENVISAGED FOR THE SECOND UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT
DECADE.

WELCOMING THE CONVENING OF A SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO DEAL WITH PROBLEMS OF RAW MATERIALS, ENERGY AND DEVELOPMENT AND THE EFFORTS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM TO MITIGATE THE ADVERSE EFFECTS OF THE CURRENT ECONOMIC SITUATION.

RECOGNIZING THAT ONE OF THE IMMEDIATE REMEDIES IS THE AVAILABILITY OF ADEQUATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ON TERMS APPROPRIATE TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WHOSE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS AND IMPORT CAPACITY HAS MOST SERIOUSLY BEEN AFFECTED BY ADVERSE DEVELOPMENTS.

WELCOMING VARIOUS INITIATIVES AND MEASURES BEING TAKEN BY COUNTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS TO ASSIST THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN THIS REGARD.

WARMLY WELCOMING COMMITMENTS WHICH THE OIL EXPORTING COUNTRIES ARE MAKING TO HELP OTHER DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND IN PARTICULAR THE INITIATIVE AND COMMITMENTS OF HIS IMPERIAL MAJESTY THE SHAHANSHAH ARYA-MEHR OF IRAN FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FUND ON SOFT TERMS WITH AN ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION OF TWO TO THREE BILLION U.S. DOLLARS TO BE PROVIDED BY MAJOR OIL EXPORTING AND INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASSISTING THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN UNCLASSIFIED

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ALLEVIATING THEIR IMMEDIATE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS DIFFICULTIES AND IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THEIR DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS AND PROGRAMMES.

DRAWS THE ATTENTION OF THE SPECIAL SESSION
OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UN TO THE INITIATIVE
OF HIS IMPERIAL MAJESTY THE SHAHANSHAH AND INVITES
THEM TO CONSIDER MEANS OF GIVING EARLY EFFECT TO THE

BASIC OBJECTIVES CONTAINED THEREIN.

REQUESTS THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND, THE INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TO EXTEND THEIR FULLEST ASSISTANCE IN REGARD TO MOBILIZING ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AND THE CHANNELING OF THESE FUNDS TO THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

ALSO RECOMMENDS THAT ALL OTHER APPROPRIATE MEASURES BE TAKEN BY COUNTRIES TO DAMPEN INFLATIONARY PRICE RISES BURDENING THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

RECOMMENDS THAT THE EEVELOPED COUNTRIES AT LEAST MAINTAIN THEIR LEVEL OF ASSISTANCE ON CONCESSIONAL TERMS AND IN FORMS SUITABLE FOR SPEEDY BALANCE OF PAYMENTS ASSISTANCE AND IN PARTICULAR THAT THEY COMPLETE SOONEST THE ARRANGMENT FOR THE REPLENISHMENT OF RESOURCES OF THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION.

FURTHER REQUESTS THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF ECAFE TO TRANSMIT THIS RESOLUTION FOR CONSIDERATION AT SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. UNQUOTE VAN HOLLEN UNQUOTE RUSH

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